

1 DELEGATE MAURER: I think it is very essential,
2 because the minority report, for which this amendment
3 is a substitute, tried to handle it by saying that the
4 public schools could be a department, but the problem there
5 is that if it became a principal department, it would
6 have to be headed by a single executive.

7 That is just the eventuality which I would
8 like to avoid, and it seems to me that it is essential to
9 protect our universities, our colleges and the state
10 public school system, and while it is difficult to do it in
11 a few words, I too, would prefer to be able to spell it
12 out, if this applies only to the eventuality they are set
13 up as departments.

14 It seems to me this takes care of the eventuality
15 without mandating that they become principal departments.

16 I see no other way of handling it.

17 Might I also say that I think this does allow the
18 Convention a three-way choice, because the existing wording
19 of the blue sheets, as we have worked with them, provides
20 an exception for schools too because it says "unless
21 otherwise provided by law", but then I point out there